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To the Postal Regulatory Commission,

I am writing to appeal the closure of the Glenclyff, New Hampshire Post Office. I strongly urge you to keep this post office open. The services provided to this small town matter a great deal to the community and to hikers of the Appalachian Trail.

I grew up next to the post office and lived next to post-master Phil Belyea for 18 years. While this is a sentimental reason for me personally, I truly feel that the benefits of keeping the post office open seriously outweigh the potential positives gained by closing it.

Appalachian Trail hikers use this post office as a crucial resupply point prior to entering the White Mountain National Forest. With other potential nearby post office closings, it remains most practical to keep Glenclyff open for the hikers if nothing else.

The money that would be saved by closing this one small post office are insignificant compared to the debts of the postal service as a whole. I recognize that changes need to be made in order to make a profit, but alternatives must be explored before closing this post office and throwing Glenclyff into turmoil by severing the ties of the community. I suggest the post office remain open while exploring alternatives, such as shorter hours, part time workers, reduced pay to existing employees, etc.

Please keep the post office open.

Thank you,



Jean Taggart

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